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Dear friends,

In response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti, the Jesuits in Haiti and the Dominican Republic are responding to the needs of the people in their neighborhoods, parishes and schools. All Jesuit institutions in Haiti and the Dominican Republic have been mobilized including the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) which is mounting an emergency relief effort to provide lifesaving aid, including food and other urgently needed items, to the Haitian people.

Jesuits have been present in Haiti for many years in a number of ministries. Jesuit Refugee Service has had a grassroots presence in Haiti and has provided humanitarian assistance to displaced Haitians in both the Dominican Republic and along the Haitian border for many years. In the face of this tragedy a team of JRS personnel from the Dominican Republic has already gone to Haiti with supplies and are actively responding to the needs of the people. We are in touch with them everyday for updates on the situation.

Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) is making a special appeal to you, our friends and donors, so that we can respond to their call for help. Donations will be directed through Jesuit Refugee Service and the local Jesuit Communities in Haiti.

To donate, please visit [www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca](http://www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca) and click on Haiti Earthquake Relief. It will take you to our Canada Helps page, where you can chose "Haiti Earthquake Relief" and make your donation.

You can also call our toll free number 1 800 448-2148 or email [cji@jesuits.ca](mailto:cji@jesuits.ca). You can also send a cheque payable to Canadian Jesuits International marked "Haiti Earthquake Relief" and send it to

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Please check our website [www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca](http://www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca) for ongoing updates from the team in Haiti. Let us remember our brothers and sisters in Haiti in our prayers. Your gift can make a difference.

Peace

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